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FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Application Number	10/002,100
Filing Date	November 14, 2001
First Named Inventor	Jun Kishimoto
Art Unit	1765
Examiner Name	Deo, Duy Vu Nguyen
Attorney Docket Number	81839.0106

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
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1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**

a. ☐ Previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

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i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) 03/05/2004 HVUONG1 00000115 10002100

iii. ☐ Other 01 EC:1801 770.00 0P

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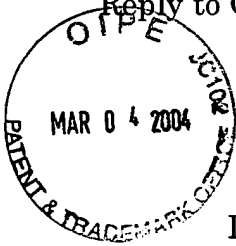
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Jun KISHIMOTO
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Confirmation No.: 3823
Filed: November 14, 2001
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THEREOF

Art Unit: 1765

Examiner: Duy Vu Nguyen Deo

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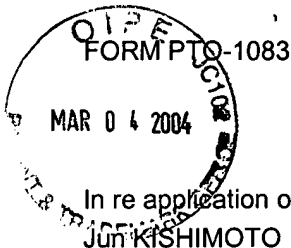
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Dear Sir:

In conjunction with the filing of the accompanying Request For Continued Examination (RCE), and in response to the final Office Action of December 3, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.



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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status has been claimed. See 37 CFR § 1.27.
☐ A certified copy of __Patent Application No. __ filed __from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 is enclosed.
☐ A Notice Of Change Of Attorney's Address and Associate Power Of Attorney is enclosed.
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